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SUBJECT: KAUNDA DENOUNCES ISRAEL AND THE IMPERIALISTS

BOTH DAILY PAPERS MARCH 10 WERE DOMINATED BY
ACCOUNTS OF PRESIDENT KAUNDA S MARCH 9 PRESS CONFERENCE
IN CAIRO. THRUST OF CONFERENCE AS REPORTED BY LOCAL
NEWSPAPER CORRESPONDENTS WAS CONDEMNATION OF ISRAEL FOR
ITS SUPPORT OF SOUTH AFRICA AND GENERAL CONDEMNATION OF
THE WEST FOR ITS SUPPORT OF SOUTH AFRICA AND RHODESIA.
MAIN POINTS MADE BY KAUNDA ARE AS FOLLOWS:

---ISRAEL HAS IDENTIFIED ITSELF WITH SOUTH AFRICA AND
RHODESIA. FOR MANY YEARS ISRAELI MILITARY EXPERTS HAVE
BEEN INVOLVED IN PLANNING MEASURES TO COUNTER GUERRILLAS
IN ZIMBABWE AND NAMIBIA. ISRAEL HAS HELPED SOUTH AFRICA
DRAW UP ITS WAR STRATEGY BY DRAWING ON ISRAEL S
EXPERIENCE IN THE MIDDLE EAST.

---ARMED WITH ISRAEL GUIDANCE AND MATERIAL ASSISTANCE
ALONG WITH SUPPORT FROM OTHER WESTERN NATIONS, SOUTH
AFRICA IS NOW FINANCING RHODESIA AGGRESSION AGAINST
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MOZAMBIQUE AND ZAMBIA.

---INVOLVEMENT OF THE MAJOR POWERS IN THE MIDDLE EAST
AND SOUTHERN AFRICA HAS GRAVELY COMPLICATED THESE
SITUATIONS. STRATEGIC NECESSITIES FORMING THE BASIS FOR
DEFENDING THE STATUS QUO IN THE NORTH HAS LED TO CALCULATED
PROCRASTINATION IN SMASHING THE REBELLION IN ZIMBABWE

AND IN PUSHING SOUTH AFRICA OUT OF NAMIBIA. VETOS CAST
IN THE UN BY WESTERN COUNTRIES ON NAMIBIA, RHODESIA AND
SOUTH AFRICA RESOLUTIONS ARE CONCRETE PROOF OF THE VALUE
OF THESE MINORITY REGIMES TO THE WEST.

---ZAMBIA RECOGNIZES THE ECONOMIC HARDSHIPS IT WILL HAVE
TO BEAR BY SUPPORTING THE ARMED STRUGGLE BUT ACCEPTS THESE
AS THE RISK INHERENT TO BACKING A JUST CAUSE. THE MATERIAL
CONTRIBUTION THE ARAB STATES OFFERED DURING THE CAIRO
SUMMIT STRENGTHENS THOSE FIGHTING FOR FREEDOM AND ENHANCES
THE CHANCES FOR VICTORY.

---ENEMIES OF THE AFRO-ARAB NATIONS WERE ANGERED BY THE
DECISIONS TAKEN IN CAIRO AND WERE PLOTTING TO COUNTERACT
THEM. HE URGED AFRICAN AND ARAB LEADERS TO IMPLEMENT
THE DECISIONS.
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